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1865

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SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

The receipts for the year have been as follows:—

1866.	Amount in Treasury March 1, 1865,	\$3.665 01
	State notes in " " "	4.700 00
	J. Parker note,	200 00
	Interest received on above notes,	318 03
	Received from State. State aid,	3.333 13
	" " " railroad tax,	454 39
	" " " savings bank tax,	261 19
	" " " literary fund,	44 80
	Received for old bearse,	20 00
	" from E. G. Shute, collector,	1.849 14
	" from I. H. Jones, "	8.605 66
	Amount hired for use of town,	13.110 00
	Amount received from county,	499 20
		\$37.060 55

The Selectmen have paid as follows:—

1865.	SCHOOLS.	
District No. 1, 1864,		\$130 39
1865,		205 11
2,		201 91
3,		50 90
4,		115 14
5,		50 83
6,		47 45
7,		109 53
8,		95 00
9,		65 00
11,		53 49
12,		58 00
Salem,		2 59
		\$1.185 34

1865. ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Paid A. J. Chase, labor on bridge,	\$13 00
N. Hastings, " " "	1 47
R. T. Chase, " " "	9 00
R. Clendenin, repairing road,	1 50
Wm. Lang, " "	2 00
Wm. Reynolds, labor on bridge,	4 00
E. Adams, railing,	1 00
P. J. Horne, plank and stringers,	63 20
Joshua Morse, building bridge,	20 00
W. W. Poor, plank,	4 78
Moses D Rowell, Hornes' bridge,	5 00
P. J. Horne, " "	13 00
C. O. Butrick, Hornes' bridge,	27 00
B. Merrill, " "	60 50
J. M. Wood, " "	17 35
John C. Rowell, " "	65 12
T. R. Robie, " "	10 16
Joseph Klien, labor on road,	5 00
Dean Bodwell, Horne's bridge,	57 50
I. A. Butterfield, teaming,	3 00
Jesse Gibson, " "	75
W. W. Poor, plank.	15 80
M. D. Stokes, use of derrick,	25 00
B. F. Eastman, Horne's bridge,	89 00
H. A. Hills, repairing road,	5 75
B. Barker, timber,	3 50
John B. Taylor, labor on road,	36 75
Samuel F. Taylor,	90
Niel McKendry,	1 00
J. C. Taylor, 1864,	7 50
	\$569 53

1866. ALMSHOUSE.

Paid D. Stinson, balance salary,	\$242 81
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1865. TRANSIENT POOR.

Paid Supplies to Mrs. Evans,	\$13 50
J. Sheldon, care of Nathan S. Sheldon,	26 00
Supplies to Kate Kelly,	1 40
" A. H. Welch,	7 61
Dr. Clark, med. att. on S. Mills,	48 00
S. S. Bridges, care Mrs. Rowell,	10 00
Supplies to Kate Kelly,	11 50
Dr. Campbell, medical att. Mrs. Rowell,	6 00
Supplies to Mrs. Major,	11 50
" Mrs. McMurphy,	10 75

" Mary S. Randall,	5 00	
Mrs. Whidden, care J. Murphy,	10 50	
Supplies to H. S. King,	8 88	
M. S. Randall,	20 00	
Margaret Parker,	62 00	
Peter Huse,	2 46	
Wood to Miss Sargent,	6 00	
" Mrs. McMurphy,	20 03	
" Geo. Alexander,	32 50	
		\$313 63

1865.

GRAVE YARD.

Paid R. Fellows, painting iron work of tomb,	3 00	
Jas. Taylor, interring bodies,	70 50	
" " care of hearse at funerals,	7 20	
		\$80 70

STATE AID.

Paid to families of volunteers,	\$1.801 64
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BOUNTIES.

Paid bounties to nine volunteers,	\$3.606 00
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1865.

BOOKS AND STATIONERY.

Paid Jas. Priest, collector's books, &c.,	\$1 90	
John B. Clarke, tax receipts,	4 50	
Wm. H. Fisk, town accounts,	26 25	
" " " surveyors and receipt books,	9 22	
W. W. Poor, stamps,	3 60	
Isaac H. Jones, stationery, &c.,	4 30	
		\$49 77

N. R. H. TAX.

Paid E. G. Shute, receipts taken up,	\$10 75	
I. H. Jones, " " "	81 42	
surveyors, by Selectmen,	23 96	
		\$116 13

1865.

INSANE ASYLUM.

Paid for support of J. G. Bond,	\$182 08	
" " Sarah Cowdrey,	198 22	
		\$380 30

HOUSE OF REFORMATION.

Paid for board of G. F. Evans,	\$37 14
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ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

Abatement on E. G. Shute's lists,	\$312 58
" " I. H. Jones' list,	105 04
Discount on taxes paid before Sept. 15, 1865,	324 77
	\$742 39

1865.

SNOW PATHS.

Paid J. L. Fletcher,	\$9 60
John Moor,	23 59
S. W. Parshley,	11 77
Moses Proctor,	10 15
Wm. Reynolds,	52 53
B. Poor,	2 86
Geo. N. Proctor,	53 85
Jas. Miltimore,	15 91
John B. Taylor,	10 61
Wm. C. Ela,	47 09
D. M. Emery,	8 93
1866. B. P. Rice,	2 25
	\$249 14

TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid B. Barker, notifying officers,	6 00
L. S. Parker, superintending school committee,	40 00
J. H. Adams, selectman, 1860,	8 00
E. G. Shute, " 1864,	5 00
W. W. Poor, " bal. 1865,	12 00
I. H. Jones, " " "	13 00
I. H. Jones, selectman 1865-6,	73 50
W. W. Poor, " "	75 15
B. Merrill, " "	59 00
Geo. W. Barker, town clerk,	20 00
" " " treasurer,	30 00
I. H. Jones, collecting taxes,	75 00
	\$416 65

1865.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid E. Adams, watering place,	\$3 00
G. Kenny & Co., for hearse,	474 00
P. J. Horne's bill, small pox case,	500 00
Expense of reference in same,	37 00
William Anderson, on town line,	1 00
J. H. Waterman, " " "	1 50
S. Reynolds, watering trough,	7 42

I. G. Goodwin, " "	3 61	
E. Cogswell, tolling bell and care of hall,	18 00	
Repairs on Parish hall,	1 46	
P. B. Rice, plunk and teaming,	6 09	12 1/2
for cashing drafts,	4 75	
I. H. Jones, expenses to Concord, &c.,	17 65	
Jas. Rogers, sheep killed by dogs,	8 00	
R. Alexander, " " "	8 00	
T. L. Bradford, six sheep killed by dogs,	30 00	
recruiting expenses,	75 65	
		\$1.197 13

NOTES PAID.

Alexis Proctor,	\$400 00	J. S. Couch,	400 00
Lizzie G. Wilson,	350 00	J. P. Whitcomb,	1,500 00
Joshua Morse,	250 00	C. O. Butrick,	600 00
Charlotte Duston,	300 00	M. Meriam, on note,	500 00
Moses Noyes,	150 00	C. F. Wheeler, on note,	75 00
John Taylor,	4,500 00	Theodore Dinsmore,	500 00
Thomas Little,	150 00	H. A. G. Storer,	500 00
Henry Forger,	190 00	W. H. Hayes, on note,	150 00
Mrs. J. Smyth, on note,	35 00	B. Barker,	105 00
Samuel Wilson,	400 00	John Baker,	250 00
Honora Cowan,	50 00	Mrs. L. E. Larkin,	100 00
George Major,	250 00	H. A. G. Storer,	100 00
Ebenezer Duston,	300 00	E. G. Shute,	300 00
Alex McMurphy,	1,360 00	S. Brown,	100 00
Moses Proctor,	500 00	Theodore Dinsmore,	100 00
Mrs. Mary Tyrie, on note,	80 00	George Reed,	500 00
Benja. Merrill,	150 00	John Bowley,	500 00
R. Wellington, on note,	200 00	S. Brown,	200 00
George B. Tuttle,	500 00	A. McMurphy, on note,	300 00
Caleb Whidden, on note,	5 00	Mrs. C. Lincoln, on note,	25 00
Mrs. Nancy Taylor,	500 00	J. B. Taylor,	400 00
Mrs. Mary Tyrie,	290 00		
			\$18,115 00

INTEREST PAID.

George Moor,	\$14 81	P. Nowell,	60 00
Janette Humphrey,	10 46	J. P. Whitcomb,	96 09
A. Proctor,	148 12	C. O. Butrick,	30 37
P. Nowell,	72 00	Marshall Meriam,	60 00
Lizzie G. Wilson,	50 00	Theodore Dinsmore,	31 29
Elizabeth G. Kelly,	90 00	H. A. G. Storer,	34 44
Joshua Morse,	32 56	W. H. Hayes,	24 00
Charlotte Duston,	33 79	B. Barker,	1 15
P. Nowell,	66 00	John Baker,	2 50

Moses Noyes,	12 35	Mrs. L. E. Larkin,	3 83
John Taylor,	610 97	H. A. G. Storer,	6 06
Thomas Little,	12 10	First Parish in Derry,	2 00
H. Forger,	10 83	E. G. Shute,	9 00
Mrs. J. Smyth,	9 00	S. Brown,	1 20
Hiram Sargent,	98 01	Theodore Dinsmore,	3 43
Samuel Wilson,	44 49	George Reed,	2 00
E. G. Kelly,	66 00	John Bowley,	14 00
Mrs. Honora Cowan,	8 42	S. Brown,	1 67
John B. Taylor,	84 00	Mrs. E. J. Shattuck,	4 30
George Major,	23 28	B. F. Eastman,	12 16
Ebenezer Duston,	21 15	Mrs. H. Warner,	4 49
A. McMurphy,	91 45	George E. Merrill,	20 48
Moses Proctor,	20 83	Mrs. E. Kimball,	12 00
B. Merrill,	13 50	Daniel Owens,	10 00
George B. Tuttle,	20 00	Francis Owens,	10 00
Caleb Whidden,	41 90	John B. Taylor,	24 00
Mrs. Nancy Taylor,	23 23	First Parish in Derry,	24 00
Mrs. Mary Tyrie,	20 64		
J. S. Couch,	13 46		<u>\$2267 81</u>

SUMMARY.

Schools,.....	\$1,185 34
Roads and Bridges,.....	569 53
Alms House, ...	242 81
Transient poor,.....	313 63
Grave Yard,.....	80 70
State Aid,.....	1,801 64
Bounties, ...	3,606 00
Books and Stationery,.....	49 77
Non-resident highway tax,.....	116 13
Insane Asylum,.....	380 30
House of Reformation,.....	37 14
Abatement of taxes,.....	742 39
Snow paths,.....	249 14
Town Officers,.....	416 65
Miscellaneous,.....	1,197 13
Notes paid,.....	18,115 00
Interest paid,.....	2,267 81
State tax,.....	3,915 00
County tax,.....	1,087 62
School House tax District No. 11,...	40 00
Balance in Treasury, ...	646 82
	<u>— \$37,060 55</u>
Amount of receipts,...	\$37,060 55

1865. E. G. SHUTE, COLLECTOR, DR.
To amount uncollected taxes, March 1,..... \$3,030 02

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By amount paid Town Treasurer,..... 1,849 14
balance uncollected taxes, March 1, 1866,... 1,180 88
\$3,030 02

1865. ISAAC H. JONES, COLLECTOR, DR.
To amount tax list,..... \$12,451 39

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By amount paid Treasurer,..... 3,563 04
paid State tax,..... 3,915 00
County tax,..... 1,087 62
School House tax Dist. No. 11, ... 40 00
balance uncollected taxes March 1, 1866.... 3,845 73
\$12,451 39

GEORGE W. BARKER, TREASURER. DR.

To amount received from Selectmen,..... 15,047 63
E. G. Shute,..... 1,849 14
I. H. Jones,..... 3,563 04
J. Patten, state note
and interest,.... 509 90
\$20,969 71

CR.

By paid orders of Selectmen,..... \$20,322 89
cash in Treasury, March, 1866, ... 646 82
\$20,969 71

NOTES PAYABLE.

George Moor,.....	\$500 00	P. Nowell,.....	1000 00
George Moor,.....	500 00	Moses Noyes,.....	200 00
I. Hubbard,.....	100 00	S. H. Quincy,.....	1965 61
Lily Cochran,.....	54 56	Marshall Meriam,....	1000 00
P. Nowell,.....	1,200 00	Chas. F. Wheeler,....	400 00
I. Hubbard,.....	150 00	W. H. Hayes,.....	400 00
Mrs. Sarah H. Moor,..	650 00	Chas. A. Nowell,....	500 00
E. G. Kelly,.....	1,500 00	John Patten,.....	200 00
A. McMurphy,.....	1,000 00	N. A. Bray,.....	600 00
R. T. Chase,.....	250 00	A. C. Rogers,.....	150 00
S. Brown,.....	600 00	James Reed,.....	200 00
B. Merrill,.....	100 00	First Parish in Derry,	400 00
John Ordway,.....	1,000 00	Joseph Leach,.....	100 00
P. Nowell,.....	1,100 00	E. P. Upton,.....	1050 00

Jesse Little,.....	500 00	George N. Warner,..	1054 20
James Reed,.....	800 00	Mrs. E. Kimball,....	200 00
S. Brown,.....	300 00	George Moor,.....	800 00
R. Melvin,.....	500 00	Francis Owens,.....	200 00
Mrs. J. Smyth,.....	150 00	Daniel Owens,.....	200 00
William Moor,.....	525 00	James Nowell,.....	800 00
Hiram Sargent,.....	1600 00	John L. Bradford,...	2000 00
Mary Adams,.....	1650 00	John L. Bradford,....	2000 00
E. G. Kelly.	1100 00	Clarissa Lincoln,....	500 00
John B. Taylor,.....	1400 00	N. A. Bray,.....	500 00
F. G. Adams,.....	200 00	Allen J. Proctor,.....	1000 00
John Ordway,.....	1000 00	Janette Humphrey,..	450 00
R. T. Chase,.....	100 00	Charlotte Duston,....	220 00
Harriet Hastings,....	100 00	Caleb Whidden,.....	750 00
Mrs. Mary Tyrie,.....	200 00	James A. Dix,.....	390 00
A. Proctor,.....	400 00	A. Woodward,.....	747 46
Joseph Leach,.....	160 00	James Taylor,.....	5000 00
Robert Wellington,..	600 00		
M. J. Whidden,.....	150 00		\$45,116 83
Interest due on above notes,.....			2,528 63
			47,645 46
Deduct endorments on same,.....			1,714 54
			45,930 92

BALANCE SHEET.

TOWN OF DERRY,		Dr.
To notes and interest payable,	\$45.930 92	\$45 930 92
		Cr.
By uncollected taxes,	\$5.026 61	
Due from State,	1.355 63	
“ “ U. S. government,	5.470 00	
Due from County,	314 46	
Cash in treasury,	646 82	
Balance being amount of debt,	33.117 40	
	\$45.930 92	
ISAAC H. JONES,	} Selectmen of Derry.	
W. W. POOR,		
BENJAMIN MERRILL		

This certifies that the foregoing town accounts have all been duly exhibited with satisfactory vouchers, and by strict examination correctly footed and verified. SYLVANUS BROWN, Auditor.

Derry, March 7th, A. D. 1866.

In presenting our annual report we show an increase of town debt of some \$2000, caused by bounties and extra expenses the past year. Town expenses must increase in their proportion with individual expenses, and the advanced price of labor and supplies of all kinds. Our debt now that war expenses are all paid, is less in proportion to our valuation than most of the towns around us.

In procuring a hearse we purchased the lowest priced substantial carriage in market,—a thorough-built and durable vehicle, which we trust will meet your approbation.

Two of the bridges, near Mr. Horne's mill, which have caused a large annual expense to the town for repairs for years past, have been replaced, under the supervision of one of the Selectmen, by substantial stone structures, which will doubtless last for years without further repairs.

Mr. Horne's claim in the small-pox case was, by order of the town, referred to a committee of reference consisting of David R. Leach of Londonderry, Thomas J. Melvin of Chester, and Uri Lamprey of Hampton. Their award is before you and we make no comment.

The Almshouse has been well managed the past year. The balance against it was caused by a reduction of invoice and a partial failure of crops last season.

I. H. JONES,	} Selectmen
W. W. POOR,	
BENJ. MERRILL,	
	of
	Derry.

Invoice of property at Almshouse Feb. 24, 1866.

Farm and buildings,	\$4000 00	Wood at door,	140 00
Household furniture,	500 00	Beans, &c.,	11 00
1 horse,	75 00	Hams,	37 00
9 cows,	585 00	Pork,	66 00
1 pr. oxen,	250 00	Flour and meal.	15 00
Hay,	200 00	Potatoes and vegetables,	70 00
Swine,	70 00	Cider and vinegar,	26 00
Sheep,	16 00	Butter,	8 00
Farming tools,	240 00	Lard and tallow,	18 00
Lumber,	21 00	Soap,	10 00
Corn,	44 00	Wool, &c.,	7 00
Rye, barley, oats, &c.,	34 00		
			\$6.443 00

ALMSHOUSE BALANCE SHEET.

Dr.

To amount drawn from treasury, bal. supt.'s sal.,	\$242 81	
invoice of property made Feb. 25, 1865,	6.658 00	
Amount of bills paid by superintendent,	691 15	
		\$7,591 96

Cr.

By invoice of property made Feb. 24, 1866,	\$6.443 00	
Amount sold from farm,	748 34	
“ due from H. P. Hood,	113 08	
“ received from County,	145 25	
Balance against Almshouse,	142 29	
		\$7.591 96

SCHOOL REPORT.

The Superintending School Committee reports to the town as follows touching the interests of education among us:—

DISTRICT NO. 1.

This school stands first on our list in respect to numbers. In summer, under the care of a young teacher whose labors were very arduous, those pupils who attended regularly made good progress in their studies. Of the favorable condition of the school in winter the County school commissioner bore strong witness, both in regard to the method of discipline and of instruction adopted and carried out by the teacher. Everything was in place and in time. A private school of eight weeks succeeded the winter term. It is to be regretted that a schoolhouse so good is not better. The school room is not large enough, especially for the accommodation of visitors. The outbuildings require to be put in order. The friends of education in this district should stir themselves up to visit the school and to attend its closing exercises.

DISTRICT NO. 2.

It is not easy to speak too decidedly of the success of the school year in this district. With a teacher of experience at the head of the school, and the hearty cooperation of many parents, everything has moved in the right direction. The examinations were well attended, the pupils of every age reciting selected pieces. At the close of the summer term the school enjoyed a picnic at the house of the prudential committee.

DISTRICT NO. 3.

The teacher of this school through the year exhibited the same qualities as were commended in the last school report. The whole number of scholars was less than that of the preceding year, while the average attendance has somewhat increased.

DISTRICT NO. 4.

This school has been steadily rising in character for several years past. In summer it enjoyed and appreciated the services of a kind and thorough instructor. In the winter it was the largest school in town. With a teacher educated in part in the same school, the deportment and studiousness of the pupils were exemplary. The following scholars were neither absent nor tardy:—Abby F., Ellen O., Lizzie A., Mary E. and George H. Stickney, H. Maria, Ella A. and Willie White and John Merriam.

DISTRICT NO. 5.

In the summer this school was under the charge of an energetic young teacher. The average attendance speaks well for the teacher and the parents. The winter school had the same teacher as last year, and was alike successful. It was refreshing in the storm to meet so many on the day of examination. With a repaired or new schoolhouse, even better results might be expected.

DISTRICT NO. 6.

Under the management of the most competent and untiring instructor of the last year, this school will compare favorably with any in town in respect to regular attendance, good order, and progress in study. As the term was short, a private school would have crowned the year with richer fruits.

DISTRICT NO. 7.

The teacher last summer had the care of this school for both terms. With an increase of experience, there was shown the same active interest in her pupils as during her first term of instruction. The closing exercises were highly satisfactory.

DISTRICT NO. 8.

This school has lessened in numbers, but still keeps its laurels fresh and green. Under different teachers, with different measures of acquaintance with school life, the scholars generally have made creditable improvement. The instructors received and gave pleasure. The examinations, especially that of the winter term, were attended as usual by a very large proportion of the parents. The reading exercises were specially good. The older scholars are models of good conduct.

DISTRICT NO. 9.

The teacher of this school through the year, had been before employed and highly approved in the district. Her best energies were given to her pupils. The exercises in singing at the winter examination were excellent. In the summer term, Lydia I. and Flora E. Dustin, and in the winter term Ella Gregg, were neither absent nor tardy.

DISTRICT NO. 10.

There was no change of teachers in this school, also, The number of scholars is larger than for several years. The progress of all the scholars in their studies was gratifying. Delilah and Walter E. Greeley were neither absent nor tardy.

DISTRICT NO. 11.

This school was well taught and governed through both terms by one who loved her work and spared no pains to do it.

DISTRICT NO. 12.

The teacher of this school bears grateful testimony to the interest taken in the school both by parents and scholars. Whispering was nearly banished. The attendance of the pupils was regular, and their habits good in all respects. While thus speaking of others, she gives best her own spirit and success as a teacher. A private school of ten weeks followed the close of the term.

Passing now to some practical suggestions, the first that occurs is that some attention to the state of our schoolhouses is demanded. Chairs, seats, desks, plastering, doors, stoves, need a careful examination. It is good economy and a good means of education to let nothing in or about the schoolroom go at loose ends. Time and wear will do enough to waste school property without tempting youthful hands to do it. Let everything connected with the building, the teacher and the parent be such as ought to be respected, and the work of securing such deference is more than half done.

There is urgent need of outline maps and renovated and enlarged blackboards in most of our school rooms. These afford invaluable aid in teaching. The eye is called in to help the scholar; the memory is assisted in its work, and the places are fixed in the mind.—By a single operation, a large class can be taught at once. Practice makes theory perfect. We do not stumble on the true answer, we illustrate and prove the rules. If the best mode of securing these articles be that of subscription, let no time be lost. Let some one move in the matter in each district where the deficiency exists. What is to be done should be done quickly.

The parents of the older children, especially the boys, should raise the question whether the place for those children is the district school or the Academy. This inquiry is very important when the winter school is taught by a female. Not all sons are instruct-

ed to obey their mothers as they come up towards manhood, if indeed they are to obey their fathers. Without any special rupture in the schoolroom, the practised eye sees that this and that lad has not done the hard study he ought to have done. The precious time is nearly thrown away, that in a higher school, with older and better scholars around him, would have been well spent. In most of our schools such pupils cannot receive the amount of attention they require without taking from the portion that belongs to those that are younger than they. The teacher is harassed and hurried by the multitude of classes, and nothing is done as thoroughly as it should be; and if an older scholar is not earnestly and studiously observant of the rules of the school, the disorder creeps through the schoolroom and adds seriously to the burdens of the teacher. All the pupils suffer thereby. We have had and still have some older scholars in our schools, males as well as females, whose influence is wholly good. They are not too large nor too wise to be instructed and governed by a woman. They would be ashamed of themselves if they possessed any other spirit than this. It would bode ill for their future character and course in life. Let woman be honored in the schoolroom as well as in the home and in society. Parents should see to it that their older children do this, or send them to the higher school. It will be a universal gain.

Our teachers, while gratefully acknowledging the sympathy of parents in their work, deeply feel the need of more of that aid.— They wish to see them more frequently and in larger numbers in the schoolhouse. They want their presence at the close of the term. They desire to know that they have their cordial confidence and coöperation in their great and responsible work. Such expressions of interest have a most happy effect on the school. The children feel that their parents are deeply concerned in their conduct and progress in study. A new inspiration is given to them. The labor of governing the school is much lightened. Most parents are ready to assent to all this, and confessing their fault plead in its extenuation that they have been very busy! Too busy to attend to their childrens' education! Finding time for the mint, anise and cummin of the bodies of their children, but none for the training of the nobler intellect! When a father or mother is thoroughly in earnest in this matter, the time will be found, and enough of it. How small the sacrifice this duty demands, and how wide and blessed the results! A similar interest should be taken by parents at home to forward their children in their studies. This laboring together with the teacher makes the best scholars. Many owe their success and eminence in life to this home encouragement and nurture. If the parents can go with their children over the studies, it is at once a pleasure and a profit to both. But where for any reason this can-

not be done, the youthful students may be made to feel that the hearts of the father and mother are with them, and be thus cheered in their toil.

For various reasons, the receipt of less money from the State, the diminution of the amount of money raised by tax in town for school purposes, and the increase of the expenses of the schools, our terms of school are shortened. In some of our districts this work is supplemented by private schools. If the town cannot be persuaded to raise more money for this object, let this course be generally taken. The education of the young should be carried forward as fast as their health will allow. Business claims them early. The more complete we would have their preparation for life the more diligence we must use in this work. We may not have large wealth to leave to our offspring; let us give them the best possible education in our power. This may be better for them and for the world than thousands of gold and silver.

LEONARD S. PARKER,

Superintending School Committee.

SCHOOL STATISTICS.

No. of District.	Teachers.	Length of Term.	No. of Pupils.	Average Attendance.
1	Miss N. R. Brown,.....	16	63	46
	J. H. Jones,.....	9½	48	43
2	Miss S. A. M. Alexander,.....	28	58	45
3	Miss A. F. McMurphy,.....	20	24	16
4	Miss F. M. Webster,.....	8	44	38
	C. H. Wilson,.....	7½	55	46
5	Miss H. L. Taylor,.....	8	30	28
	C. H. Lowe,.....	6	33	27
6	Miss A. C. Rogers,..	12	26	22
7	Miss H. L. Warner,.....	20½	30	20
8	Miss M. F. Learnard,.....	8	26	23
	Miss N. I. Sanderson,.....	8	35	32
9	Miss M. S. Dana,.....	20	34	24
10	Miss J. E. Brown,.....	10	10	7
11	Miss H. A. Tilton,.....	16	30	25
12	Miss A. E. Adams,.....	12	19	14